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## So much snow will fall Tuesday that ...

**Ana:** ... there will be at least 30 Ana-sized snow angels in Millennium Park.

**Curt:** ... I will be forced to stay home and watch TV.

**Kim Z Dale (@newetiquette):** ... we'll finally get the Olympics by stealing the Winter Games from snow-free Vancouver.



## Who should perform the next Super Bowl halftime show?

**Ana:** The 1985 Chicago Bears ... and throw in Celine Dion, for kicks.

**Curt:** Lady Gaga and Elton John. It worked at the Grammys.

**Chris Johnson (@randomnickname):** "Pants on the Ground" guy from "American Idol." Just a 30- or 45-minute set of that. One. Song.



## What's the best part about being squished on a CTA bus?

**Ana:** Playing "Whose Hand Is That?"

**Wagner:** Squishing back.

**Matthew Bartosik (@polomex):** I can bop my head to someone's headphones, read RedEye over someone's shoulder and sip someone's coffee without moving an inch.



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## TODAY'S FORECAST

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Toyota says it will recall 170,000 Prius hybrids in Japan that went on sale last year and also may recall them in the U.S.

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# The problem with Prius

**Citing braking trouble, Toyota announces recall of 170,000 hybrid cars in Japan; a similar move is possible in the U.S.**

**TOKYO** Toyota said Tuesday it is recalling 170,000 Prius hybrid cars in Japan for braking problems and will soon disclose details of its global plans for a fix.

The automaker will hold a news conference at its Tokyo office Tuesday to outline details of the braking problem, including plans for a possible recall in the U.S.

Toyota Motor Corp. said it will inform the Japanese Transport Ministry later in the day it is recalling the 2010 Prius gas-electric hybrid that went on sale last year.

Also being recalled are two other hybrid models: the Lexus HS250h sedan and the Sai, which is sold only in Japan.

U.S. safety officials have launched an investigation into problems with the brakes.

The braking problem for the third-generation remodeled Prius is the latest safety woe for Toyota, which is already trying to fix problems in millions of vehicles recalled for other defects, including a sticky gas pedal.

The automaker has fixed the programming glitch in Prius models that went on sale since last month, but had done nothing yet on the cars sold before then, according to Toyota.

There have been nearly 200 complaints in Japan and the U.S. of drivers experiencing a short delay before the brakes kick in—a problem that can be fixed with a software program-

## POPULAR RIDE

The Prius is the world's top-selling gas-electric hybrid and its fuel efficiency has drawn intense interest amid concerns about global warming and dependence on fossil fuels.

ming change. The delay doesn't indicate a brake failure. Auto-safety experts recommend allowing more time to stop.

The problem is suspected in four crashes resulting in two minor injuries, according to data gathered by the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, which is investigating the matter. Toyota says it's cooperating with the NHTSA's investigation.

Toyota said its plug-in hybrid also is being recalled, but that is still a largely experimental model for rental and government use in limited numbers, and isn't for mass commercial sale.

Toshirou Yoshinaga, auto analyst at Aizawa Securities in Tokyo, said Toyota ran the risk of seeing trust wither further if it did not go for a Prius recall. Just as important, he said, is the need for Toyota to improve how it communicates.

"They have to explain things better," he said Monday before the announcement of the recall. "Their explanation is insufficient."



Asian bighead carp  
NANCY STONE/TRIBUNE PHOTO

## Wide net cast to combat carp

After a White House meeting christened the "carp summit," federal and state officials Monday announced a multi-pronged attack with a \$78.5 million price tag to prevent Asian carp, an invasive species, from establishing populations in Lake Michigan.

Nancy Sutley, the president's top environmental adviser, led the meeting at the request of the governors of Michigan and Wisconsin, who were on hand. Gov. Quinn was scheduled to attend but canceled his travel plans because of the winter weather in Illinois and planned to take part by teleconference, spokeswoman Marlena Jentz said.

Officials on Monday afternoon unveiled an Asian Carp Control Strategy Framework, which they characterized as "aggressive" and "unparalleled." It features more than 25 short-term and long-term actions funded by major spending, some of which officials said already is in the pipeline.

Asian carp are considered a major threat to the Great Lakes region and its commercial and recreational fishing industry, which estimates call a \$7 billion enterprise.

The new strategy calls for a multi-tiered defense of the Great Lakes to keep carp out in which scientists try to develop biological controls to prevent the prolific, non-native fish from developing self-sustaining populations.

Officials said a priority is limiting the number of carp that enter Lake Michigan.

## Lap dances for Haiti

A strip club in Ohio has raised \$1,000 for Haitian earthquake relief during what was billed as "Lap dances for Haiti."

Marilyn's on Monroe in Toledo donated the \$10 cover charges collected Saturday to ISOH/IMPACT, an organization based in suburban Perrysburg that provides food and clothing for Haiti.

Marilyn's general manager Kenny Soprano says his establishment had been looking for a reason to hold a charity fundraiser even before the quake, as a way to improve its image. He says you don't hear much about strip clubs giving back to the community.

ISOH/IMPACT CEO Linda Greene doesn't have a problem with where the money came from. She says her group appreciates any donations to help Haiti.





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#### RIDER'S BLOCK

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» @tracyswartz  
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#### KEEP UP WITH TRACY

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# CTA cuts hit some harder than others

"Going Public" braced for a CTA avalanche Monday and got light snow showers instead.

After weeks of fielding readers' concerns about doomsday scenarios, "GP" prepared for the worst this week. Some riders wrote in that their commutes were aggravated by packed buses and delayed trains, but many of you wrote in to say you didn't notice a change to your morning schedules.

"GP" hit the streets during Monday morning rush hour, prepared to see stranded bus riders because the CTA eliminated nine express routes and reduced service on 119 bus routes. Yet buses came every few minutes along Ashland and Western avenues and Irving Park Road, thoroughfares that previously saw express service.

Travis Hartinger, who used to ride the No. X80 Irving Park express bus to the Blue Line, told "GP" that riding the non-express No. 80 Irving Park bus "was really no different" than his regular routine.

Hartinger had previously told "GP" he thought the service cuts would make him late for work and force him to buy a car.

"The bus came a few minutes later than the old X80 did," said Hartinger, 32, of Ravenswood. "But when we finally got to my stop ... it was the same time as the X80 used to get me there."

But the first true test of the service cuts might come Tuesday. Forecasters predict the Chicago area could get about a foot of snow from late Monday through early Wednesday.

Mary Sydney of Humboldt Park said she is worried about the potential snowstorm because she had to walk part of her commute Monday morning. Sydney said she waited about 40 minutes before 5 a.m. for the No. 49 Western bus to take her north to Fullerton Avenue. She then walked to Damen Avenue because she didn't see the No. 74 Fullerton bus coming. Sydney said she was about 20 minutes late for work because of the less frequent service.

Michael Barth of Beverly also expressed concern about the cuts amid bad weather. He told "GP" that there's usually a train waiting for him at the Midway Orange Line stop when he arrives there before 8 a.m. There wasn't one Monday, he said.

"There were tons of people waiting on the platform," said Barth, 33. "I knew it was going to be bad. I didn't expect it to be like this."

#### Gimme good shelter

"GP" is on the hunt to find the nearly 140 CTA shelters that aren't run by French advertising agency JCDcaux. These shelters typically aren't fancy, and they don't say "JCDcaux" on them. If you spot one, take a photo, note its location and send an e-mail to [tswartz@tribune.com](mailto:tswartz@tribune.com).

#### MORE COVERAGE

Get continuing coverage of the CTA service cuts online at [redye.chicago.com/goingpublic](http://redye.chicago.com/goingpublic) and in today's RedEye on **Pages 6-7**.



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# Nasty weather looming

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### Snow report

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3. 9 inches to 10 inches
4. 11 inches to 12 inches
5. More than a foot!

#### Chicago Tribune

An area winter storm warning was issued for late Monday through early Wednesday with up to 12 inches of snow expected to blanket the area, according to the National Weather Service.

WGN-TV's Tom Skilling said it is possible the final totals could be closer to 14 inches, making the storm the worst of the winter for Chicago. According to the WGN Severe Weather Blog, the storm could last 35 to 40 hours, affect three rush hours and generally make life unpleasant until at least Wednesday.

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The warning will continue until 4 a.m. Wednesday. The heaviest snowfall is expected Tuesday afternoon and early evening. Blowing and drifting snow with near blizzard conditions in open areas can be expected Tuesday night, the weather service said. Both surface and air traffic are expected to encounter severe difficulties.

By Tuesday night, snowfall will generally be in the 6- to 12-inch range, with some locally higher totals possible, especially near Lake Michigan in both Illinois and Northwest Indiana, the weather service said.

Travel is expected to become difficult. Both morning and evening rush hours Tuesday are likely to suffer.

In addition to the falling snow, northwest winds will increase to 20 to 30 mph with gusts up to 40 mph Tuesday night and into early Wednesday morning. This will result in severe blowing and drifting snow in open areas.



# COLD CUTS

## FACING BRUTAL WINTER FORECAST, CTA GEARS UP FOR COMPLICATED COMMUTES, CALLS FOR UNION TALKS

#### Chicago Tribune

Bus and train riders who encountered the CTA at far less than its best on the first weekday of major service cuts should prepare themselves to slog through snow during Tuesday's commute.

The CTA implemented a winter action plan Monday to ensure that bus motors start in the morning and that the fleet—downsized by almost 290 buses because of the service cuts—can get out of garages and storage yards and onto streets.

Snow-sweeper trains were to have operated through the night to make sure tracks are plowed for the approximately 130,000 CTA passengers who travel by train from 6 to 9 a.m. each day, officials said.

Riders voiced frustration after putting up Monday with longer waits at bus stops and at rail station platforms, as well as endur-

ing crowded conditions and longer travel times.

Carolyn Ephraim, who is financially supporting five grandchildren, said she worries the CTA cuts will make her late for work at the Daley Center downtown.

"That jeopardizes my job," said Ephraim, 55, who left her home Monday in Marquette Park 20 minutes earlier than usual to offset any delays. Ephraim said she arrived barely on time.

She used to take the No. X49 Western Express bus, but it stopped operating Sunday, and she now has to wait for the local Western Avenue bus, Ephraim said. "It's slower than ever," she said.

It didn't help that the number of CTA employees who failed to report for work Monday was twice the normal rate, officials said, declining to provide specific numbers.

Employees on standby filled in as much as possible. But on top of the reduced service, the CTA was forced to cancel 33 bus runs in the morning rush, officials said, out of a total of almost 1,500 runs.

Overall ridership Monday appeared to be slightly lower than normal in response to the widely reported warnings of an 18 percent reduction in CTA bus service and a 9 percent cutback in train operations.

All Gloria Fleming, a social worker, wanted when she got off work Monday evening was a seat on the bus.

But when she saw there were no empty seats on the southbound No. 26 South Shore Express bus just after 5 p.m., she let the bus pass her by. Fleming let another packed bus pass, before resigning herself to stand on a third bus.

"I've been working all day. I just want a

## How's your commute?

RedEye had CTA updates and conversations throughout the Monday commute. Here's a look at just some of the tweets riders sent to [twitter.com/redeyechicago](https://twitter.com/redeyechicago). Have a tale to tell? Share your opinion about transit changes at [redeyechicago.com/goingpublic](https://redeyechicago.com/goingpublic).

**@tenishaelcee:**  
I saw no difference, other than the people thinking that everything is slower.

**@jasonyork5:** 152 bus not crowded actually, tho less frequent than normal, red/brown line from addison to chicago ave waits about avg

**@MyPoshJeans:**  
134 was so crowded. I usually get on no problem 2day squeezed on. Couldn't pick up anyone else skipped 4 stops.

**@KateFrankenberg:**  
No large difference on the #CTA brown/purple line. Not nearly as crowded, where are all the commuters?

**@Dinahsaur3000:**  
Every bus I've been on have been jam packed and no one under the age of 30 gives up there seats for seniors which is crazy!!







Commuters pack an eastbound bus at Washington Boulevard and Canal Street on Monday. ALEX GARCIA/TRIBUNE PHOTO

## Pace trims slam some commuters

### Chicago Tribune

Across the suburbs Monday, some commuters were sharing the pain of CTA riders in the city, even though the cuts to Pace bus service weren't as extensive.

Pace eliminated 15 routes around the region—from Country Club Hills in the south to Naperville out west and Arlington Heights in the northwest suburbs—and reduced service on another nine routes.

Paleontology student Andy Stavrinou, 28, of Arlington Heights, waited more than a hour for the Pace 696 bus after his morning class at Harper College in Palatine. Last week the wait was a mere five minutes after his class ended.

"Now it's all screwed up," Stavrinou said, catching up on some reading in a lobby near the stop. "I don't drive and I'm totally dependent on it."

Pace spokesman Patrick Wilmot said the changes went as smoothly as could be expected, explaining that most of the routes eliminated fed into Metra stations. That meant commuters had to find alternative ways of getting to train stations.

"We have a lot of pockets in the suburbs where there is demand, but not enough for us to operate the service," Wilmot said.

Calls to the transit agency's customer service line were higher than normal, mostly from people confirming that their routes weren't affected, Wilmot said.

Unlike the CTA, Pace didn't lay off employees to help plug its \$6.5 million budget shortfall. The route elimination will save about \$1.5 million and spare a fare hike, officials have said.

Although it won't be enough to cancel the service cuts, the CTA reached a tentative agreement with its trade unions to save 38 jobs, officials announced. The trade unionists, who perform maintenance and construction at CTA facilities, accepted proposals to take unpaid days and defer some wage increases in exchange for flexibility from the CTA side on issues important to them, CTA spokeswoman Noelle Gaffney said.

### CHICAGO NEWS BRIEFS

#### Daley: Expand watchdog's reach

Mayor Daley on Monday proposed expanding the powers of the city's inspector general to include investigating aldermen—an idea long opposed by City Council—as well as taking away the hiring oversight duties currently held by the mayor's compliance office.

The proposed ordinance, which Daley will introduce at Wednesday's council meeting, would be a dramatic shift in the power struggle between City Hall watchdogs.

The move was endorsed by Inspector General Joseph Ferguson, who while appointed by the mayor is considered more independent than the Daley administration's Office of Compliance.

"The proposal announced by the mayor here today to amend the inspector general's ordinance constitutes a watershed moment in the history of the city," Ferguson said. "This proposal comes to grips with core structural reforms necessary to root out patronage and corruption in the city of Chicago.

#### Dems get started on candidate picks

Gov. Quinn and fellow Democratic leaders began the delicate dance of picking a new running mate for Quinn today, while emphasizing there was no horse-trading involved in a scandal-ridden Chicago pawnbroker's decision to abandon his primary nomination for lieutenant governor.

Quinn said Cohen should not be reimbursed for the roughly \$2 million in personal funds he poured into his campaign, and a spokesman for Democratic Party chairman and House Speaker Michael Madigan agreed, saying the topic never surfaced in Madigan's two conversations with Cohen leading up to his teary-eyed withdrawal Sunday night.

#### Panel advises settlement in cop case

A key City Council committee Monday recommended settling for \$700,000 a civil rights claim filed against Chicago Police and the city that accused officers of clubbing and injuring a man without cause.

The settlement, set to be considered Wednesday by the full council, relates to a July 2008 early morning incident at the Southwest Side home of Gustavo Arreola and his son, Juan-Carlos Arreola.

Police accused the younger Arreola of toting a gun, and a scuffle among police and family members occurred, according to the suit filed by the family. At one point, Gustavo Arreola was hit in the head with a weapon of some kind, causing a bloody skull fracture, the suit alleged.

#### Panhandler arrested again

A man who has been arrested almost 180 times—and whose presence on the CTA's Green Line has instilled fear among riders—has been arrested again.

Clarence Ervin, 52, of the 900 block of North Waller Avenue in Chicago, was arrested Saturday and charged with battery, criminal trespass and obstructing identification—all misdemeanors—stemming from two recent incidents, according to Oak Park police Cmdr. Len Jorgensen.

Last week, Ervin was panhandling at Mancini's Pizza, 1038 Lake St. in Oak Park, Jorgensen said. He was asked to leave, but did not do so immediately and made a scene, he said. After he did leave, the business filed a police report.

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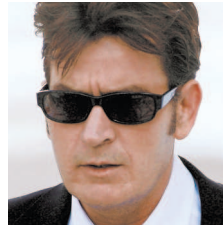


## Jackson's doctor makes plea

**1** Michael Jackson's doctor pleaded not guilty Monday to involuntary manslaughter in the death of the pop star at a brief hearing. Dr. Conrad Murray is accused of giving Jackson a fatal dose of an anesthetic to help him sleep.

## Sheen, wife hug in court

**2** A judge has modified a protective order allowing Charlie Sheen and his wife, Brooke, to see each other as Sheen faces domestic violence allegations. Prosecutors filed charges of felony menacing, third-degree assault and criminal mischief



Sheen

against Sheen stemming from his arrest in Aspen. He did not enter a plea Monday. He and his wife hugged in the Colorado courtroom.

## NYC: Pay up for 9/11 trials

**3** New York City Mayor Michael Bloomberg says he's skeptical that the federal government would cover the cost of trying 9/11 suspects in Manhattan. The mayor said Monday he wants assurance from the Obama administration that it will help pay for services the city would have to provide.

## Pa. congressman dies

**4** Rep. John Murtha (D-Pa.), a retired Marine Corps officer who became the first Vietnam War combat veteran elected to Congress and later an outspoken and influential critic of the Iraq War, died Monday in Arlington, Va. He was 77.

## Iran ups uranium enrichment

**5** A senior Iranian envoy says he has formally told the U.N. nuclear agency that his country will enrich uranium to higher levels. Ali Asghar Soltanieh says Tehran will start enriching up to 20 percent from its present stock of lower enriched uranium.

## French pride policy

**6** The French flag will be hoisted at every school in France and the national anthem sung by students at least once a year as part of government efforts to instill a sense of pride in being French, Prime Minister Francois Fillon announced Tuesday.

## THE DIGIT

# 9 percent

Purchases of U.S. magazines at newsstands and other retail outlets fell 9 percent in the second half of 2009, a slight improvement from the 12 percent year-over-year decline in the first half of the year.

# Plant toll not expected to rise

**7** MIDDLETOWN, Conn. Search-and-rescue crews declared a section of an exploded power plant too unstable to comb through Monday, a task that lost urgency when officials said everyone assigned to work at the plant the day of the blast had been accounted for and the death toll should stand at five.

Mayor Sebastian Guiliano sounded a note of caution Monday afternoon, saying rescue crews had been unable to get to all areas of the plant and he could not say for certain that no more victims would be found.

Deputy Fire Marshal Al Santostefano told The Associated Press that he didn't know when rescue crews would be able to search the small section of the plant that was unstable but said the fact that everyone had been accounted for was good news.



Michael Rosario (center), of Plumbers, Pipefitters, & HVAC Local 777, hugs a friend after telling reporters about losing three friends in the Kleen Energy Systems explosion. **APPHOTO**

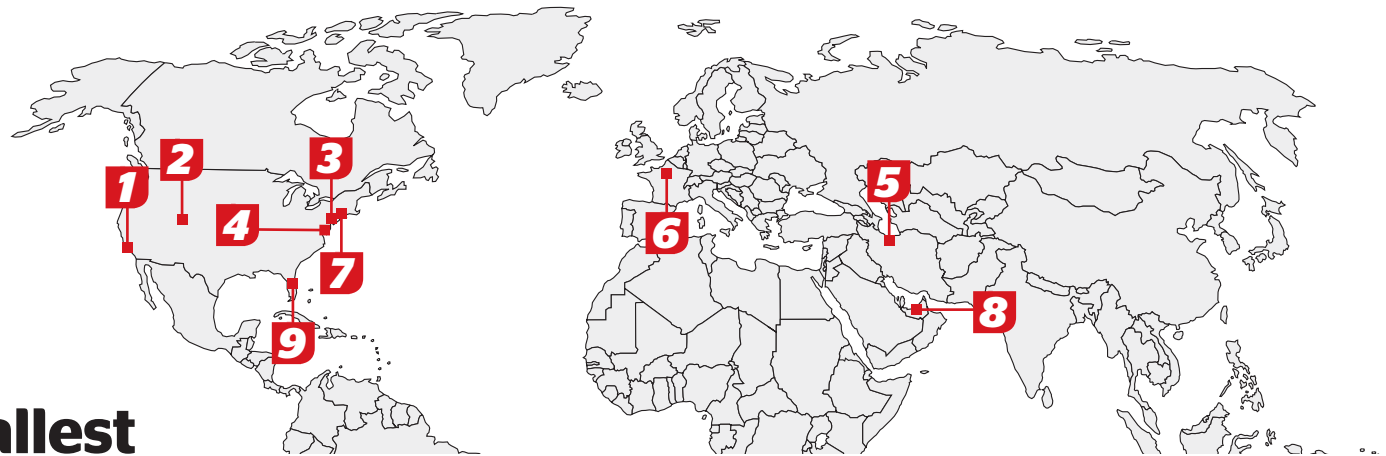
"We needed something to lift spirits around here, and that definitely did it," he said.

The blast in Middletown, about 20 miles

south of Hartford, injured more than two dozen in addition to the five dead. It happened as workers were clearing gas lines of air, but the exact cause remained under investigation.

Welders and other workers were at the site Monday, preparing to make it safer for emergency workers, said Ed Reilly, president of the Greater Hartford-New Britain Building Trades Council. Piles of rubble stood 10 feet high in some places, and mounds of debris lay everywhere, Santostefano said.

Investigators from the town fire marshal's office returned to the scene Monday to try to begin determining the cause. Investigators from Occupational Safety and Health Administration were also at the site, which was closed to reporters.



## Tallest skyscraper closes doors to public

**8** DUBAI, United Arab Emirates The world's tallest skyscraper has unexpectedly closed to the public a month after its lavish opening, disappointing tourists headed for the observation deck and casting doubt over plans to welcome its first permanent occupants in the coming weeks.

Electrical problems are at least partly to blame for the closure of the Burj Khalifa's viewing platform—the only part of the half-mile high tower open yet. But a lack of information from the spire's owner left it unclear whether the rest of the largely empty building—including dozens of elevators meant to whisk visitors to the tower's more than 160 floors—was affected by the shutdown.

The indefinite closing, which began Sunday, comes as Dubai struggles to revive its international image as a cutting-edge Arab metropolis amid nagging questions about its financial health.



Up, up and away!

**9** Space Shuttle Endeavour and six astronauts rocketed into orbit Monday on what's expected to be the last nighttime launch for the shuttle program, hauling a new room and observation deck for the International Space Station.

The space shuttle took flight before dawn, igniting the sky with a brilliant flash seen for miles around. The weather cooperated at the last minute; Sunday morning's try was thwarted by thick, low clouds that returned and almost caused another delay. **GETTY IMAGES PHOTO**





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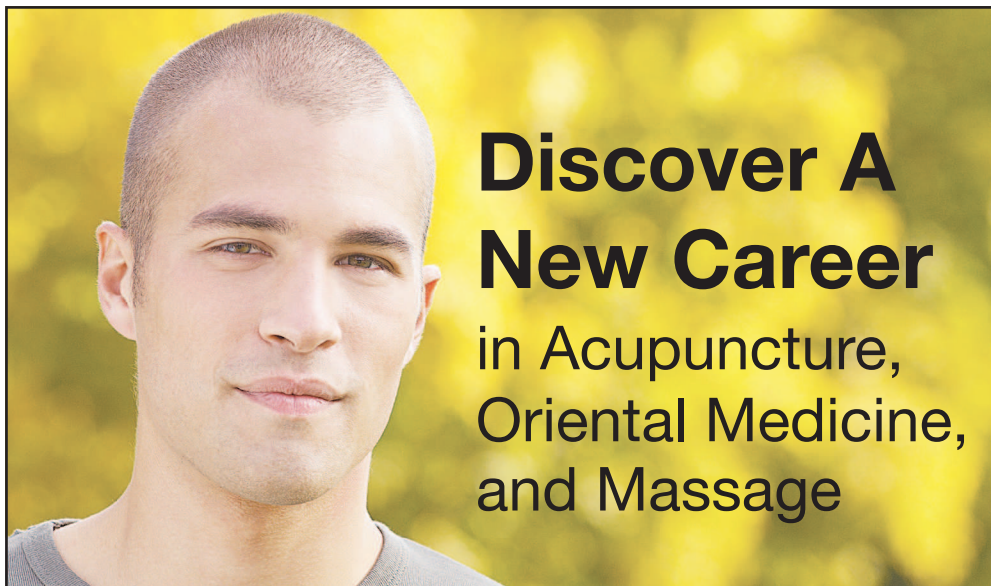




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# sports

Danica Patrick finished sixth last week at the ARCA race at Daytona International Speedway. She will make her NASCAR debut in the Nationwide Series event at the track this weekend. **AP PHOTO**



**Racing star Patrick ready to make her NASCAR debut at Daytona**

# Hello, Daytonica

### RedEye

Danica mania is heading to Daytona. Danica Patrick, IndyCar's biggest star—and perhaps the biggest star in all of racing—has decided she'll make her NASCAR debut on its biggest stage, Daytona International Speedway. After a solid sixth-place finish in her first stock-car race, the ARCA event at Daytona, Patrick and her team set their sights on the Nationwide Series event. "Racing in the Nationwide Series race was my goal during this entire two-month preparation process, but we wanted to make sure it was the right thing to do," she said. "The ARCA race was a blast, and I'm not ready for my first Daytona Speedweeks to end just yet. I want more racing." The Nationwide Series, for the uninitiated, is the second-tier NASCAR series, one step below the Sprint Cup Series, which is the home of Jeff Gordon, Jimmie Johnson, Tony Stewart and all the other good ol' boys. Many of those drivers will do double-duty this weekend and join Patrick in the Nationwide race. "My dream scenario is she would be up there in the top five competing for the win," said Kelly Earnhardt, general manager and part owner of Patrick's team, JR Motorsports. NASCAR star Dale Earnhardt Jr. also is part-owner of JRM, making this a marriage of IndyCar and NASCAR's most popular drivers. Let's take a look at the two. **AP CONTRIBUTED.**

### RACING PEDIGREE



**DANICA:** First member of her family to drive a race car for a living.

**DALE JR.:** Son of the legendary Dale "The Intimidator" Earnhardt (left).

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**DANICA:** One career IndyCar win.

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**DALE JR.:** No. 88

# NBA trade: Summer to Winter Games

I feel like we need a breather from regular-season NBA games. Not every year—more like every four. Nothing too lengthy, either; two weeks is fine. Come to think of it, star players could compete in an international tournament of some kind, where they give out medals and play the anthem of the winning nation.

Where is it written that Winter Olympics events have to involve snow and/or ice? Actually, even if you can show me where it's inscribed, I'll just take a match to it. In the NBA, the mother of all hoops leagues, they're already playing in the winter. That's enough justification for the International Olympic Committee to move basketball to the Winter Games. Two decades ago the IOC opted to alternate the games every two years instead of cramming both editions into one year, so this isn't that far-fetched.

Basketball in the Summer Olympics is slightly miscast. It's like Jackie Chan playing Braveheart—there would be myriad reasons to watch, but it would leave you scratching your head.

The Summer Games also are jammed with 302 medal events, compared with 86 in the winter. Share the wealth, people. Reassigning basketball shouldn't overload the host city, and watching LeBron and Kobe play is way more appealing than three hours of biathlon.

It's a win-win. Overprotective NBA owners could stop whining about how players who participate in the Summer Games are tired before the pro season begins. The league could keep its full schedule, too; just shoe-horn more contests into the rest of the calendar, like the NHL does every fourth year.

NBC, which said it will spill \$200 million in red ink to air the Vancouver Games, would have a more attractive product for advertisers. It's the next best thing to putting Michael Phelps on the ski jump or Usain Bolt on skates.

Most important, the fans win, as the Olympic tournament would fall in the middle of All-Star weekend. Derrick Rose driving the lane with gold on the line gets the blood pumping a lot faster than another meaningless pickup game.

I hereby pass the torch to you, IOC.



**Chris Sosa**

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# Who dat next?

Now that the NFL is over for the foreseeable future, these five need a hobby. Quick! [redeyechicago.com/5on5](http://redeyechicago.com/5on5).



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<b>1</b> How will we fill the Super Bowl void?	With Rahula's laughter, Julie's wit, Alex's charm and Phil's confusion.	I'll be Jimmy's campaign manager for Illinois lieutenant governor. Two words: Hooker vote.	With Olympic fever. Catch it?	I don't need many excuses to drink beer and eat Cheetos.	It'll take that long to erase all remnants of the Bears season from our memories.
<b>2</b> If I never have to hear "Who Dat" again ...	... I'll agree to sit on an around-the-world flight next to Ronnie "Woo Woo."	... it will be because I stopped saying "Knock, knock ..." to New Orleanians.	... I'd be sad. I totally love those crazy drunk Saints fans.	... I will have gotten my cable company to stop providing ESPN.	... we'll all be much safer. Trust me, you humans don't want to make me angry.
<b>3</b> 2011 predictions already are rolling in. What's yours?	Lovie Smith will find work as a defensive backs coach.	Jets-Saints Super Bowl. Bobby Hebert goes in drag, Joe Namath gets drunk—hilarity ensues.	The Bulls, led by LeBron, D-Wade and D-Rose, will win 74 games and the NBA title.	We'll be at war, the economy will stink, but Phil will win the Oscar for Best Supporting Actress.	Most—I mean all—of you won't be around to see 2011 after the mechanized revolution.
<b>4</b> What will you do during the Blackhawks' Olympic break?	Watch my favorite TV show and a DVD of horrific bobsled accidents. Both are called "Two and a Half Men."	I'll see if you can Zamboni a frozen Chicago River. This will not end well.	Overanalyze every bit of info coming out of spring training. Geo gained 3 pounds, OMG!!!	Learn how to luge. And no, Jimmy, I'm NOT looking for a doubles partner.	"NHL 10" online. Kane can't touch me.
<b>5</b> How will you say goodbye to Tyrus Thomas if he and the Bulls part ways?	I'd yell at him for 16 minutes and then have him sit on the bench for the rest.	I'll introduce him to a friend who can give him the kind of help he needs, a Mr. Billy Club.	The same way he plays defense: waving goodbye while standing motionless.	By splitting a double team, sailing over a center and then missing a dunk.	"Don't let the door hit you in the backspace on the way out."

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Bulls forward Tyrus Thomas has a clean slate with coach Vinny Del Negro after serving a one-game suspension for insubordination. AP

# Thomas quiet in return

Tyrus Thomas declined to speak to reporters after returning to the practice floor Monday from his one-game suspension for berating coach Vinny Del Negro.

While urging the need to move forward, Del Negro spoke volumes for the fourth-year forward. He didn't even guarantee Thomas will be ahead of Development League signee Chris Richard in Tuesday's rotation against Indiana.

"It depends on matchups and what we need out there," Del Negro said. "Chris gave us a nice boost [Saturday]. He's physical inside. He's a big, strong body. He's pretty familiar with our stuff. He got us some offensive rebounds, and we converted on them, which was nice."

Only Del Negro, who insisted Thomas' slate is clean, knows if such words are meant as more motivational tactics for a player whose time is running out in Chicago. Del Negro did say Thomas practiced hard and well.

"We have to move on," Del Negro said. "What happened, happened. It's over with. Hopefully Tyrus learns from it and gets better. It's not the first thing that's happened with Tyrus. He has to be smarter. He has to be committed to the team."

Guard Derrick Rose said Thomas apologized to teammates in the direct aftermath of the incident

## Poll position

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2. Trade him
3. Release him
4. I don't know

Friday in Atlanta and that it's in the past with the focus strictly on winning games.

"Everybody talks to him," Rose said. "People handle stuff certain ways. It seems he's on the right path. And we're going to keep leading him that way. We need him for rebounding and blocking shots."

Doing those things consistently, Del Negro said, would earn Thomas minutes.

"Tyrus has to run the court, play hard, execute the game plan, hit open 15-foot jumpers, be committed to the team," Del Negro said. "Everyone has a job on this team. Certain guys do different things better than others. Everyone knows their role. Now they have to go do it."

"The guys who do it on a consistent basis and are coachable and want to buy into the team and give us the best chance to win are going to be out there. It's a very simple process."



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Milwaukee is building a Bud Selig statue outside Miller Park. WTF? Imagine a Reinsdorf statue at the UC. Here now, my TV picks.



**NBA**  
**Bulls at Indiana**  
6 p.m. WCIU

Tyrus Thomas is headed to Indiana, unfortunately still as a member of the Bulls.



**NHL**  
**Blackhawks vs. Dallas**  
7:30 p.m. CSN

Three games until the Olympic break and I still haven't caught a home game. Tear.

**COLLEGE BASKETBALL**  
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» Don't take your Super Bowl loss too hard, Colts fans: Indianapolis already has been installed as a 13-2 favorite to win next year's Super Bowl, according to **bodog.com**. The Bears? Their odds are listed at 35-1.

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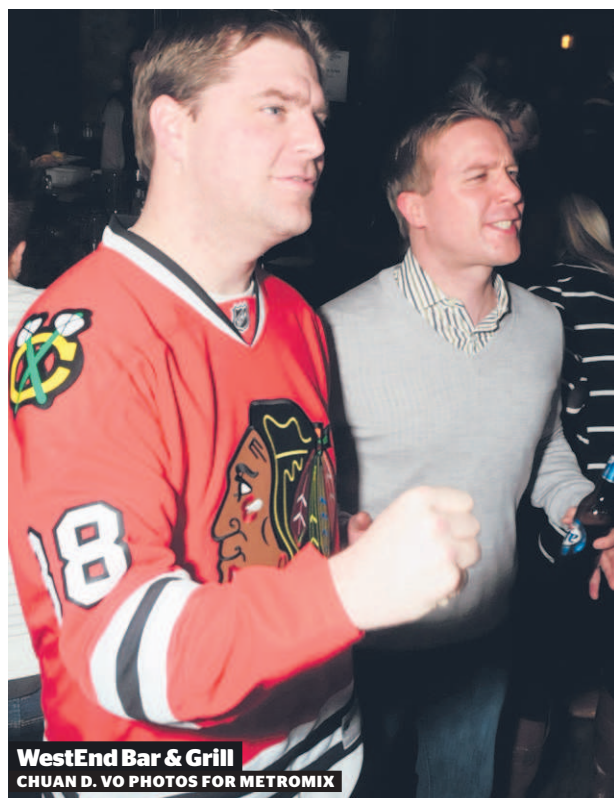
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## Hip to Hawk

### 9 spots to holler like mad for the red-hot Blackhawks

**By Amanda E. Snyder**

Whether you're a seasoned Hawk head or a newbie to the hockey scene, the Blackhawks—currently leading the Central Division—are hotter than ever and back in town after spending the last half of January on the road. Help cheer 'em on at these nine bars, which offer everything from free United Center shuttles to chance player sightings during off-time.

#### THIS WEEK'S GAMES



**Tuesday:** vs. Dallas at United Center, 7:30 p.m.

**Saturday:** vs. Atlanta at United Center, 7:30 p.m.

**Sunday:** at Columbus, 4 p.m.

#### WestEnd Bar & Grill

1326 W. Madison St. 312-981-7100.

**Go there for:** The pregame psych-up. As an official partner of the Blackhawks, this West Loop bar displays the same pregame presentation that fans at the United Center see, featured on all 30-plus screens around the bar.

**Also:** Sip \$5 22-ounce stadium cups of Miller and Coors Light on game days and catch the bar's free shuttle to the United Center beginning 45 minutes prior to the game.

#### Bull & Bear

431 N. Wells St. 312-527-5973

**Go there for:** Frequent glimpses of players. Patrick Kane and teammates are often spotted at this River North sports bar after games, chowing down on kobe burgers and wings.

**Also:** Specials include \$3 Bud Light bottles, \$6 Absolut cocktails, \$20 Bud buckets and from 3-6 p.m., half-price appetizers.

#### Market

1113 W. Randolph St. 312-929-4787.

**Go there for:** A free round-trip ride in Market's cushy van. Trips start one hour before the game and run every 15 minutes thereafter until 30 minutes into the game.

**Also:** Trade in your ticket stub for a bottle of domestic beer. Other game day specials include \$3 Bud Light drafts and \$5 select shots.

#### Bottom Lounge

1375 W. Lake St. 312-666-6775.

**Go there for:** Seating for 300, perfect for hockey fans wanting to grab a quick pregame meal.

**Also:** A 20-foot projection screen airing games upstairs, themed \$4 cocktails like the Tomahawk (spiced rum-spiked ginger ale), free street parking and a free shuttle bus to the games beginning one hour prior to the game.

#### Rock Bottom Restaurant & Brewery

1 W. Grand Ave. 312-755-9339.

**Go there for:** The bar's swanky remodeled interior with raised leather banquettes, an exposed brick projection wall and 25 screens. A new stage features live music or DJs, depending on the night.

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#### Branch 27

1371 W. Chicago Ave. 312-850-2700.

**Go there for:** A complimentary chocolate budino "hockey puck" dessert with a same-day ticket stub.

**Also:** Sip \$4 North Coast Red Seal drafts on any Blackhawks game day.

#### District Bar

170 W. Ontario St. 312-337-3477.

**Go there for:** A chance to kick back with the players. So far this year, Jonathan Toews, Ben Eager, Cam Barker and Adam Burish have been spotted here.

**Also:** Mix up your game-time routine with unusual appetizers such as wonton chips with crab rangoon dip or grilled calamari with hummus (both \$12).

#### Union Park

228 S. Racine Ave. 312-243-9002.

**Go there for:** Daily specials that are good on game days. Try two for \$2 tacos (Tuesdays), \$2 domestic drafts (Wednesday) and \$5 Jack and Cokes (Saturday).

**Also:** A recent change in ownership has brought a revamped food menu and drink specials, both of which change monthly.

#### Hawkeye's Bar and Grill

1458 W. Taylor St. 312-226-3951.

**Go there for:** The Blackhawks Alumni Program, where a former player signs autographs for customers two hours before home games in March. (Past alums have included Grant Mulvey and Peter Marsh.)

**Also:** Hop the round-trip shuttle (\$5) taking customers to the United Center 30 minutes before the game.

#### More Blackhawks bars!

Log on to [metromix.com](http://metromix.com) for game-day features at more bars, including Third Rail Tavern, the Crossroads and the Beer Bistro.

## best bets

By Rebecca Palmore  
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### Opera with a Twist

**tue 9** Faith & Whiskey, 1365 W. Fullerton Ave.

An open bar is cause for celebration. This one comes with vibrato courtesy of Chicago Opera Theater singers, plus appetizers. \$30-\$40: [chicagooperatheater.org](http://chicagooperatheater.org)

### 'Sex and the City' trivia

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### Love Fest

Holiday Club, 4000 N. Sheridan Rd.

They call themselves Nerds at Heart. And whether you're gay or straight, they want to help you find love. Meet gay singles (Tuesday) and straight ones (Wednesday) over board games and trivia. \$20-\$25: [nerdsatheart.com](http://nerdsatheart.com)

### Half-price pizzas

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### Cooking class

**wed 10** Sabor Saveur, 2013 W. Division St. 773-235-7310

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### Sandra Bernhard

**thu 11** Lakeshore Theater, 3175 N. Broadway. 773-472-3492

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7:30 p.m. Free. Ganz Hall at Roosevelt University, 430 S. Michigan Ave. 312-341-3780.

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'Stargate Universe: SGU 1.0'

Out Feb. 9 on DVD (\$27.99) and Blu-Ray (\$38.99, both at amazon.com)

So it's a little money-grubbing of MGM and Syfy to split the Season 1 DVD set of its new hit "Stargate Universe" into two rather pricey releases. But "SGU 1.0" is definitely worth it in Blu-ray. The makers and actors take us behind the scenes of the special effects and sets. Wow.

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'Hope Child'

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James Murphy manned the production booth for the album debut on his DFA imprint of Free Energy. It's nothing like what you would expect given Murphy's involvement. This is rock music pure and simple, of the catchy riffy sort—and there's not a synthesizer in sight. "Stuck on Nothing" will be released March 9.

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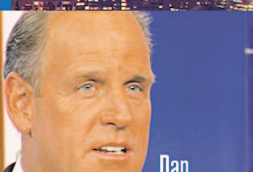
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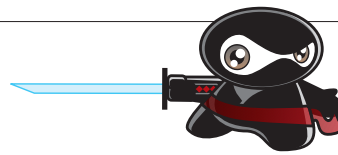
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## ACROSS

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be firm  
4 History  
8 Steam  
13 Walking stick  
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18 Becomes dizzy  
19 Pompous display  
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23 Bother  
24 Wooden box  
26 Error in print  
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32 Basic units of all matter  
36 Concept  
38 City in Nevada  
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40 Assumed name  
41 Facts & figures  
42 Primary  
43 Smaller amount  
44 Panty hose material  
45 City in Texas  
47 Sort; variety  
49 Wynonna Judd's mother  
51 Wiped away  
56 Welcome \_;  
front porch item  
58 Fear of a  
delinquent mortgagor  
61 Modify  
63 Skating rink shape, often  
64 Concern  
65 Donate to one's church  
66 Longest river  
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8 Of the spring  
9 Logger's tool  
10 One bit at a time  
11 Earthen jar  
12 Nap  
13 Farm harvest  
20 Mesh fabrics  
21 Killer whales  
25 Late  
27 Stack

- 28 Keats, for one  
30 Aware of  
the duplicity of  
31 Reddish horse  
32 Grenades or bombs  
33 Amphibian  
34 Acquaint with the  
existing situation  
35 High-IQ group  
37 Simple  
40 Texas mission  
44 Fiddling emperor

- 46 Become pliable  
48 Air gun projectile  
50 Certain golf clubs  
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# Book 'em

"Lost" star Daniel Dae Kim cannot get off that island. Kim likely isn't complaining, though, because he has landed a big role on CBS' "Hawaii Five-O" remake, **hollywoodreporter.com** reports. ("Lost" is taped in Hawaii.) In the updated take on the classic cop series, Kim will play Detective Chin Ho Kelly, a role originally played by Kam Fong. The part of Detective Steve McGarrett has not yet been cast, though Alex O'Loughlin, lately of the canceled CBS show "Three Rivers," is in talks for it, The Reporter says. O'Loughlin certainly is appealing, but he's too pretty and doesn't have enough tough-guy cool to pull off the role the way Jack Lord did in the original. Here's who should be cast in the other main roles: **EMILY ROSENBAUM MAKI, REDEYE**



**Fong**

## Gerard Butler

*as Steve McGarrett, originally played by Jack Lord*  
OK, Butler has not been on a roll lately. His choice of movie roles has been egregious and those paparazzi shots of him on the beach over the holidays were startling. The good news is that he's no longer sporting serious midsection flab, as witnessed in the photos this week of him cavorting in Mexico with Jennifer Aniston. He also can be suave and can pull off the requisite steel glare. Most importantly, he's got the chin for the job.



**Lord**

## Katee Sackhoff

*as Detective Dan "Danno" Williams, originally played by James MacArthur*  
Who says a man has to play Danno? Sackhoff already proved she can tackle a role originally played by a man when she took on Starbuck in the "Battlestar Galactica" reboot. She's got the acting chops and she would be a good partner for Butler. Just make the character's name Danielle. "Book 'em Danny."



**MacArthur**



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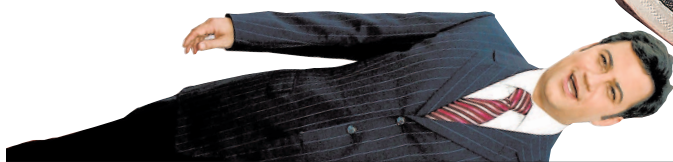
# Ouch! that hurts

Sarah Silverman doesn't criticize ex-boyfriend Jimmy Kimmel in an interview with Page Six Magazine, but her comments certainly do seem directed at him. She praises her current beau, writer Alec Sulkin, saying: "The guy I'm dating now ... is not my typical fare. He's really skinny. Usually I like pudgy, macho-ish guys." She also lets us know he's considerate. "I think he's the first guy in a decade who's given me any kind of compliment, like saying I'm pretty or anything." Apparently Miss Potty Mouth is a sensitive soul, after all.

**THE DIGIT**

## 106.5 million

That's how many people tuned in to Super Bowl XLIV, making it the most-watched TV program in U.S. history. The viewership tops the 27-year-old record set by the "M\*A\*S\*H" finale.



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"There's not a better job on the planet than judging that [bleeping] karaoke contest."

—Howard Stern on his satellite radio show Monday. The Wrap quotes Stern as saying he'd love to be a judge on "American Idol," but he needs lots of scratch. "They'd have to pay me a ton of dough because I already make a ton of dough."

**Pitt and Jolie****The couple that sues together stays together**

Brad Pitt and Angelina Jolie fought back against breakup claims by snuggling and smooching at the Super Bowl, and now they are firing back legally. Their lawyer, Keith Schilling, said Monday that the two are suing Britain's News of the World for making "false allegations about their relationship." He says they still are together.

**Getting slap-happy**

The star and executive producer of one-day stage play "Friends with Benefits" is pretty confident about it. Brian Hooks, of "Three Strikes" and "Soul Plane" fame, says locals can slap him in the face if they don't find the romantic comedy funny. Catch the show at 2 or 7 p.m. Saturday at the Harold Washington Cultural Center to see if he's smack-worthy.

» Check out hilarious Hooks highlights at [redeyechicago.com/kylesfiles](http://redeyechicago.com/kylesfiles).

**Willis the wolfman****Willis**

Bruce Willis tells Men's Journal magazine how to impress women, what not to drink on a heavy night out and how to kill a wolf with your bare hands if attacked. Uh, OK. He says, first of all, "give the wolf your arm." He explains: "He can't swallow it because he's gagging on your arm. You reach in, you grab a handful of something—guts, the back of its throat, whatever you can hold—and pull it out."

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